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ALICE SERVERSE CHANGE INC CHESTER INC

Members, Lodi City Council 222 W. Pine Lodi, CA 95240

Dear Lodi City Council,

As development in San Joaquin County continues, and it surely will, we have become aware that the area along the north bank of the Mokelumne River between Woodbridge and Highway 99 may be in Jeopardy. Presently, this is an undeveloped riparian (riverside) wetland, a habitat that was once prevelant in our valley and now remains in only a few isolated areas such as this along the Mokelumne. It is vital that this area and others like it be preserved both for the wildlife it supports and for the enjoyment of San Joaquin County citizens. This place might be considered to be an area of living nistory, a real treasure in our county.

We urge you, in whatever decisions you make regarding future growth of the area, to support the preservation of this valuable resource we now have. Please don't let this beautiful wetland area fall into the hands of developers to be destroyed or enjoyed by only a few, but rather work to preserve it for everyone and for generations to come.

Yours truly,

Dr. and Mrs. D. W. Terry, Jr.

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December 15, 1989

Members, Lodi City Council 222 W. Pine Lodi, **CA** 95240

Dear Council Members,

San Joaquin County is growing; of that we are all aware. The speed with which it is growing makes it more important than ever to anticipate problems and needs which may arise as a result of that growth. There is an area along the north side of the Mokelumne River between Highway 99 and Mokelumne which is currently undeveloped. This area is a riparian wetland, and as such has become an increasingly rare environmental habitat.

Hundreds of years ago, riverside wetlands such as this were commonplace throughout California's Great Central Valley, but now these remnant areas are only reminders of past times. This certainly doesn't diminish, but rather increases the importance of such a place. A riparian habitat is nich in both plant and animal life. Such an area, left in its natural state, can offer immeasurable enjoyment to the citizens of San Joaquin Count): and to those who will follow us.

The Gak Grove Docent Council is primarily dedicated to preserving the natural environment at Oak Grove Park, but our concern extends to other natural areas as well. It is our hope that as you anticipate and plan for growth In Lodi and the surrounding area, you will recognize the great value of maintaining the natural status of this riparian wetland, and seek to support its preservation for the benefit of all

Sincerely, D. Man

Lynne B. Terry, President

Oak Grove Docent Council



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January 5, 1990

Dr. and Mrs. D. W. Terry, Jr. 3939 Ft. Donelson Drive Stockton, CA 95209

Dear Dr. and Mrs. Terry, Jr.:

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The Parks, Recreation and Open Space Element of the General Plan will be discussed at a Special Meeting of the Lodi City Council and the Lodi Planning Commission on Wednesday, March 28, 1990. The meeting will be held at the Carnegie Forum, 305 West Pine Street, Lodi and will commence at 7:30 p.m.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please and not hesitate to call this office.

Very truly yours,

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